--In the optical apparatus of the present invention, it is preferable to satisfy the following relation:

$$0.05 \leqq \Delta\lambda / \lambda \quad (1),$$

where λ is a center wavelength of the predetermined wavelength band and $\Delta\lambda$ is a width of the predetermined wavelength band. In this case, the width $\Delta\lambda$ of the predetermined wavelength band is further preferably not less than 10 nm.--

Please AMEND the paragraph beginning at page 22, line 18 as follows:

--In the present embodiment, it is preferable to satisfy the following relation:

$$0.05 \leqq \Delta\lambda / \lambda \quad (1),$$

where λ is a center wavelength of the working wavelength region as the predetermined wavelength band and $\Delta\lambda$ is a width of the working wavelength region.--

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Please **DELETE** the existing Abstract and substitute therefore the following Abstract:

--An optical apparatus having a suppressor that suppresses the wavelength dependence, in a predetermined wavelength band, of a thin film formed on an optical surface of the optical apparatus.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **CANCEL** claim 5.

Please **AMEND** claims 1-4, 6, 7, and 9-20 as follows:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) An optical apparatus, comprising:

an optical surface;

a thin film having an optical characteristic of wavelength dependence, which is formed on the optical surface; and